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CONSTANTINOPLE, *September* 17.

THE Sublime Porte, although known to be of a pacifick Diſpoſition, and although the Reports from the Turkiſh Armies are not very favourable, yet is immoveably determined to carry on the War as long as poſſible, rather than comply with one ſingle Article propoſed by Ruſſia concerning the Independency of the Crimea, or even to admit Ruſſia to have any Part thereof in her Poſſeſſion; for if this was allowed Ruſſia would ſoon be Miſtreſs of the Black Sea, in Conſequence of which the Ottoman Throne in Conſtantinople would be as unguarded as that of Warſaw, if not as that of Corſica. Thus, Ruſſia inſiſts upon what the Porte will not comply with; ſo that another Compaign is reſolved upon, which, by all Appearances, will finiſh the Struggle on one Side or the other.

That Part of the Ruſſian Fleet which has for ſome Time been cruiſing near Syria is joined with the Veſſels belongs to Cheik Daher, which terrifies the whole Neighbourhood, and hath put a total Stop to Commerce.

The Grand Seignior has eſtabliſhed a College, in which the Greek Language, according to the Demoſthenian Taſte, is to be taught, as likewiſe the Ariſtotelian Philoſophy, Ethicks, and Politicks; and none are to have a Right to be inveſted with the Dignity of a Hoſpodar, or Walachian Prince, or any Station of Importance, unleſs he has taken up his Degree in that College after a due Examination, and ſuch Degree is not to be purchaſed for Money, as is cuſtomary in Europe.

The Chevalier Tott has diſcovered a Mine of Coals which are in Quality as good as the Engliſh Coals, but not ſo glittering, for which Diſcovery he received a conſiderable Reward from the Divan.

PETERSBURG, *October* 8. The Man of War of eighty Guns built under the Direction of Admiral Knowles, and lately launched, is to be commanded by that Admiral, and ſent to Cronſtadt.

October 27. A Secret of much Importance has been juſt diſcovered to the Empreſs, which has thrown a Gloom over the whole Court, which before was all Gaiety, on Account of the Grand Duke's Marriage. Two Noblemen of the higheſt Diſtinction, and greateſt Conſequence in the State, have been arreſted, and confined to their reſpective Houſes, under a ſtrong Guard of Soldiers; their Papers, &c. conveyed to the Imperial Palace. The Publick wait with Impatience for a Knowledge of their Crimes.

WARSAW, *October* 18. The Pruſſian Troops in Poland, except ſome Regiments that are to guard his Majeſty's new Provinces, have received Orders to return into Brandenburg, but the Reaſon of their being recalled is kept a profound Secret.

By Letters from Podolia, we have received the diſagreeable News that the Turkiſh Garriſon of Ockzakow had broke into the Poliſh and Ruſſian Territories, and ruined and burnt every Thing they met with. This Body is compoſed of Turks, Tartars, and Greeks, and conſiſts of near 20,000 Men.

The Auſtrian Troops in this Kingdom increaſe every Day, and we are informed they are ſoon to be augmented with 22,000 Men, but the Reaſon of this Augmentation is a Secret to us. As the Ruſſian and Pruſſian Troops quit the Kingdom the Auſtrians come in their Place, to the great Grief of the Inhabitants; for the former kept the ſtricteſt Diſcipline, but the latter behave as if they were in an Enemy's Country, without the leaſt Notice being taken thereof by their Officers.

October 20. A Report is current at this Moment, that the Peace between the Ruſſians and Turks is ſigned.

The Delegates of the Diet will not reſume their Deliberations till the 22d of November next. Many Writings are circulated here, which tend to prove that as ſoon as the Prerogatives of Royalty are taken from the King the whole Republick will fall to Nothing. Although Abundance of Projects are daily produced for the erecting a permanent Council, nevertheleſs there is no more Talk about the Matter than if it had never been propoſed.

The Miniſters of the three allied Courts have delivered a Declaration to our Miniſtry concerning the Delays of the Delegation, in which they declare, in the Name of their Courts, that their Sovereigns, tired out with the Diſorders and Spirit of Independency that ſpring out of the Ruins of the State, will, with Regret, be obliged to take the moſt effectual Meaſures to prove to the Nation that they are reſolved to ſettle a republican Government, which in the End will prove happy, and ſecure Independence to, and Equality among, the Citizens. They add, that, with ſuch ſalutary and diſintereſted Views, the three Courts do not heſitate to declare, that in Caſe the Spirit of Party ſhould blind the Poles againſt all Evidence they would make Uſe of the Means which their Power has put into their Hands. This Declaration was dated the 24th of September, and ſigned by the Barons De Rewitſki and De Stackelberg.

HAMBURG, *October* 22. We learn from Vienna, that Orders are ſent to Hungary to raiſe 50,000 Recruits immediately, which ſurpriſes every Body; and that the High Chamber of the Imperial Poliſh Provinces is to be at Vienna, and Count Bergin is to preſide in it, in the Character of High Chancellor.

November 6. The 13th Inſtant is the Day fixed for the Dutchy of Holſtein to be delivered up to the Danes and to come under their Government, and the Inhabitants to take the Oaths of Allegiance to his Daniſh Majeſty, when a new Daniſh Regiment is to be raiſed out of the Natives of Holſtein. We are curious to hear the Particulars of that Treaty, which will be made publick on the ſame Day that the Exchange takes Place.

All the Paſſengers lately arrived here from the King of Pruſſia's Dominions inform us that they are very buſy in that Country in caſting new Guns, Cannon Balls, &c. and in filling immenſe Magazines of Gunpowder and Lead. They are likewiſe raiſing great Numbers of Recruits, without any One being able to gueſs at the Reaſon of theſe Preparations, which has been continued now for more than two Years.

Our Correſpondent at Stockholm ſays, it is moſt aſtoniſhing that an arbitrary Prince ſhould have a Right to command our Taſte as well as our Will and Actions. His Swediſh Majeſty, in Order to carry his Subjects back to their ancient Ignorance and Barbariſm (for ſuch Subjects make the Prince the happier) has juſt ordered to avoid the perpetual Change of Faſhions in Dreſs, which is moſt diſadvantageous to the Community in general, being only Advantages to a few Individuals; and to prevent the Evils which ariſe from Dreſs and Faſhion, an entire particular national Dreſs is to be introduced over all Sweden, ſuch as was worn 200 Years ago in that Country, which reſembles the Oriental very much, and is highly becoming for a cold Climate. But the Society *Pro Patria* there have put a Price of 100 Ducats upon the Queſtion, "Whether more Evils are occaſioned in a Nation by the conſtant Change of Dreſs and Faſhion, or by introducing a national Dreſs, ſuitable to the cold Climate, ſuch as muſt of Courſe aboliſh all Extravagancies of Dreſs, and diminiſh Luxury, but muſt at the ſame Time be moſt diſadvantageous to the Manufactories, and tend to a total Decay of Taſte." The Anſwers muſt be ſent to that Society before the [illegible]th of January next.

AMSTERDAM, *October* [illegible]. The circumſtantial Account of what happened be[illegible]en the Ruſſians and the Inhabitants of the Iſle of S[illegible]hio being the moſt ſhocking Affair ever heard of, e[illegible] in the moſt barbarous Times, we have juſt recei[illegible] by ſome of our Ships arrived from that Quarte[illegible] and is as follows. About the latter End of Auguſt laſt, it was diſcovered to the Ruſſian Admiral, at the Iſle of Paros, that three Turkiſh Men of War were near, and that they might be eaſily taken. Upon this Information, eight Ruſſian Men of War, and three Frigates, with about ſeventy Tranſports, were deſpatched, under the Command of Admiral Spiritow, to attack them; but the Turkiſh Ships were informed of their Deſign, and made their Eſcape. One of the Ships, called the Geilla, took Shelter under the Guns of the Fortreſs of Bodorum, in the Iſland of Stanchio; but the Ruſſians perceived her, and burnt her in the Harbour, before any Reſiſtance could be made by the Garriſon, and made off. In the Meantime, about 800 Ruſſians landed upon the Iſland, oppoſite to the Fortreſs, where a briſk Skirmiſh happened between them and the Garriſon; but no ſooner was the News ſpread that the Ruſſians had burnt a Turkiſh Man of War, on the other Side of the Fortreſs, but the whole Inhabitants aſſembled in a Body, and furiouſly fell upon the Ruſſians, who, finding themſelves overpowered, endeavoured to retreat to their Ships, when about 200, who could not get on Board, laid down their Arms, and ſurrendered themſelves Priſoners of War; but the Inhabitants, notwithſtanding they had ſurrendered, inhumanly killed every one of them. As ſoon as this Affair was made known to the Ruſſian Commander, he ordered the Whole of the Men on Board the Fleet to land upon the Iſland, Sword in Hand, and kill every Male, without Diſtinction of Nation, Age, or Station; which Order was cruelly executed, a few only eſcaping into the Woods. It is ſaid that Admiral Spiritow is recalled, to anſwer for his Conduct in this Affair before the Empreſs.

The War between Ruſſia and the Porte is become more vigorous than ever, and Orders have of late been iſſued at Peterſburg to raiſe one Man out of every Hundred of all her Imperial Majeſty's Subjects, which will turn out 100,000 Recruits; a large Fleet is ordered for the Mediterranean, and another is ordered to join the naval Forces in the Archipelago.

They write from Elſineur, that an Engliſh Veſſel arrived there in four Days from London, on Board of which are thirty Engliſh Pilots, who are to conduct the Ruſſian Fleet into the Mediterranean.

PARIS, *October* 29. There is hardly any Doubt left but the Emperour deſigns a War againſt the Turks, for beſides the Auſtrian Army on the Turkiſh Frontiers, amounting to near 120,000 Men, Orders are ſent from Vienna to Tranſylvania, Croatia, Servia, &c. to raiſe an entire new Army, which is to be commanded by General Preiſs, and cantoned along the Frontiers. The Fortreſſes are to be repaired, and the General has received Orders to form a Line with his Troops from Tranſylvania to Temeſwar, and to take Poſſeſſion of the little Iſland of Reitzenſtadt, and the Fortreſs of Kaſtnowitz. The famous General Nadaſti arrived at the Auſtrian Army lately, to examine the Fortifications, and to take the chief Command of all the Troops upon him.

It is ſaid that the Turkiſh Commander of Belgrade has ſent a Meſſenger to the Auſtrian Commander, inquiring the Reaſon of all theſe Preparations and extraordinary Motions, but received for Anſwer, "That as the Turkiſh Army had met with Succeſs this Campaign, and are in high Spirits, perhaps (though contrary to the Intention of their chief Officers) they may fall into the Imperial Dominions, and inſult his Imperial Majeſty's Subjects, and therefore the Emperour had taken this Method to protect them; but whether ſuch Preparations are neceſſary for that Purpoſe, we leave every One to judge.

We are likewiſe informed, that Reis Effendi, who is ſo remarkable for his uncommon Humanity and pacifick Diſpoſition, has ſent a moſt moving Letter to Count Romanzow, praying that his Excellency would endeavour to bring about another Congreſs, and not ſuffer a new Campaign to be opened. He likewiſe begs of her Imperial Majeſty, not to ſacrifice the beſt and moſt faithful of her Subjects to her inſatiable Ambition, and not to boaſt of her numerous Armies, and the many Victories they have gained; for notwithſtanding the Efforts of the Ottoman Troops have not been attended with Succeſs in this War, yet they have now learned the Art of War, and exact military Diſcipline, ſo that future Victories will be uncertain, and one ſucceſsful Campaign to the Ottomans will regain all they have loſt. He concludes, by teſtifying to the whole World that the Sublime Porte is much inclined to a Peace, upon reaſonable Terms; and that he really wiſhes the Empreſs may be of the ſame Diſpoſition, &c. This Letter Count Romanzow has ſent to the Court of Peterſburg.

LONDON, *November* 2.

THE King of Pruſſia, though he does not chooſe to declare himſelf openly the Enemy of Great Britain, is taking every Method to irritate us to a Declaration of War againſt him. He is barring every Avenue of Commerce between the two Nations, oppreſſing the Engliſh Merchants within his Dominions, and threatening his own Subjects if they offered us any Encouragement. This haughty ambitious Plunderer is almoſt ripe for Chaſtiſement.

Extract of a Letter from Warſaw.

"The King of Poland, wearied out with the Cares and Anxieties attending upon his Crown, and ſatisfied he cannot wear it for the Service of his Country, has lately thought ſeriouſly of abdicating the Throne of that Kingdom, and retiring to ſpend the Remainder of his Days in the Peace and Security of a private Life. It is confidently reported, that he hinted his Intention to an Engliſhman of Faſhion, whoſe Curioſity had led him to the Court of Warſaw; and added, he propoſed to make London the Place of his future Reſidence.

The young Gentleman then informed his Majeſty to keep as far as he could out of the Reach of the City, as he would find there as many Enemies to an abdicating King as he found in Poland to the Monarch on the Throne; but in the Weſt, ſaid he, your Majeſty will be ſafe, reſpected and adored, for the preſent Miniſtry in that Country are religiouſly attached to an abdicating King."

Advice is juſt received that three Sail of French Men of War of the Line are wrecked in a Gale of Wind on the Coaſt of Barbary, and two Thirds of their Crews periſhed.

It is ſaid the Honourable Thomas Harley will be appointed to a principal Poſt in Adminiſtration, which will ſoon be vacated, in Order to make Room for him.

The Courts of Vienna and Berlin are reſolved to uſe their utmoſt Influence this Winter to bring about a Peace with the Turks and Ruſſians, and to ſettle the Affairs of Poland.

Letters from the Continent mention, that a Treaty of Commerce is now in Agitation betwen the Province of Zealand and his Pruſſian Majeſty, which has given great Umbrage at the Hague.

A Difference of Opinion aroſe laſt Week between the Lords North and Sandwich, which prevented a moſt extraordinary ſpirited Meſſage being ſent to the Court of Madrid, which in all Probability would have occaſioned an immediate Declaration of War againſt Spain. This, we hear, was what Sandwich thought England muſt do, if ſhe perſerved her Honour; bnt the tardy North deſired a few Days might be ſpent in conſidering the Matter, which he was indulged in. However, it is almoſt beyond a Doubt that it will take Place in a few Weeks.

A Gentleman at Henley, writing to his Friend in London, ſays: "I cannot help taking Notice to you that I dined yeſterday with a Gentleman who ſaid he had not travelled ſo little as 10,000 Miles to find the right Heir to Mr. Selby's Eſtate, and had at laſt diſcovered him to be a Perſon in Ayleſbury Jail for Debt; he had juſt then releaſed him, and put him in Poſſeſſion of it." [*An Eſtate of* 4000 *l. a Year muſt prove a very ſprightly Alternative for a ſcurvy Durance at Ayleſbury*]

They write from Peterſburg, that a conſiderable Number of opulent Jews have petitioned her Imperial Majeſty for an excluſive Charter to form themſelves into a Company for carrying on a Trade by Land, by the Way of Tartary, to China and the Indies.

By the late Improvements made by the Abbe de Terray in the French Finances, it is ſaid they amount to 380 Millions per Annum; a Sum little ſhort of fourteen Millions Engliſh Currency, and much ſuperiour to the ordinary Revenues of any Prince in Chriſtendom, or perhaps in the Univerſe.

A few Days ago a Country Gentleman, poſſeſſed of a ſmall Eſtate, being quite tired of having attended at the Levee of a certain great Man, for ſeveral Years, to no Purpoſe, waited on his Lordſhip to let him know he would give him no farther Trouble, as he had juſt got a Place. My Lord ſhook him by the Hand, and told him he was extremely glad of his Succeſs, greatly apologizing for not having had it in his Power to reward him according to his Merit; at the ſame Time inquiring what Preferment he had got, on which he replied, in the York Machine, my Lord; I ſecured it yeſterday, and ſhall ſet off to-morrow Morning, your Lordſhip having entirely cured me of Ambition.

The Dutch are at this Time building four capital Ships of the Line, at one of their Ports, for the Service of France.

Extract of a Letter from Portſmouth, *October* 19.

"The Princeſs Royal, a fine 90 Gun Ship, was launched yeſterday, amidſt a Concourſe of People from all Parts of the Neighbourhood. His Royal Highneſs the Duke of Glouceſter came from his Summer Seat at Windhurſt to ſee it, and was highly pleaſed. Stages were erected for the genteeler Part of the Spectators, and at the Head of the Ship was a large Bowl, made of Lead, which contained near forty Gallons of Punch, to treat the Workmen and Spectators. Nothing could go off more ſmooth and eaſy, to the great Joy of the Builder; and ſhe fits very well on the Water. At her Head is the Princeſs Royal, ſeated in a Chair, ſupported on the Shoulders of Neptune and Amphitrite, who rides on Dolphins. Many Tritons are playing about them. The Princeſs has a Cornucopia in her right Hand, and in her left a Laurel Branch. Her Stern is decorated with Pictures of their Majeſties, emblematical Figures, and Trophies. She was built on the ſame Slip with the Britannia (the firſt First Rate ever built on a Slip) firſt and ſecond Rates having been uſed to be built in Docks.

"Two other Ships are now building in this Yard, the Lion of 74, and the Berwick of 60 Guns.

"The Keel of the Warriour, of 74 Guns, is to be laid in a few Days, on the Slip the Princeſs Royal was launched from."

Sir Robert Ladbroke has by his Will bequeathed 5000*l.* to each of his married Daughters, with whom he gave a Portion of 10,000*l.* and 15,000*l.* to each of his unmarried Daughters. The additional 5000*l.* to each is ſecured to their private and peculiar Uſe, without being liable to any Coverture. To his Son George, who ſailed a ſhort Time ſince to the Indies, he has bequeathed three Guineas a Week during Life, to be paid only to his own Receipt. He has left 200*l.* to each of his Nephews and Nieces; and the Reſidue of his Eſtate, ſuppoſed to amount to a very conſiderable Sum, to his eldeſt Son Robert.

Extract of a Letter from Peterſburg, *September* 28.

"Advices are juſt arrived here from the Crimea of a very ſignal Victory gained by the Ruſſian Troops there over the combined Armies of the rebellious Ruſſians, Coſſacks, &c. and the Turks and Tartars, under the Command of Dueles Guery. The Turks, &c. received a total Defeat, having 8000 Men killed and wounded, 5000 taken Priſoners, with all the Cannon, Amunition, Tents, &c. The Remains of the defeated Army fled with the utmoſt Precipitation towards Ockzakow, and the victorious Ruſſians entered Bachuſeria in Triumph, which Place they are now fortifying in the ſtrongeſt Manner."

Three Veſſels which ſailed from the Orkneys, the Beginning of October, with 775 Emigrants from Murray, Roſs, Sutherland, and Caithneſs, for New York, having met with a Storm, one of them, with the People from Murray, put into Stromneſs in a diſtreſſed Condition, and reſolved to return home; the two others, it was feared, were loſt.

November 9. The Bedford Party ſeems daily to gain Ground. This, ſays a Correſpondent, portends no Good to the Premier.

By the lateſt Accounts from Peterſburg, it appears that the Empreſs, heartily tired of the State of Slavery ſhe finds herſelf in, from her Connections with the two German Courts, is reſolved to terminate her Diſputes amicably with the Porte.

They write from Breſt, that nine Men of War are ordered to be equipped in all Haſte at Breſt, and ſeveral Captains have received Orders to repair thither forthwith.

In a Converſation, a few Days ſince, between Charles Fox and a great Man in Adminiſtration, about impoſing new Taxes next Seſſions of Parliament, the former was heard to ſay, "Let us ſhear on, the Wool will grow again, for the Flocks are made for the Uſe of the Shepherds.

The Princeſs Royal Ship of War does not carry her ninety Guns on two Decks, as mentioned in ſome of the Papers, but on three Decks. The Miſtake aroſe from her not having any Guns on her Quarter Deck, which, by a new Method, is avoided. The three Deckers that have been lately built are made longer, and have two Ports more on each Deck, than the old Ones. It is reckoned a great Improvement, as it takes off the Weight from aloft, and makes them lie more ſnug on the Water.

The Duke of Grafton, it is ſaid, ever ſince he has been out of Office, has applied very cloſely to the Study of the Engliſh Laws and Government, and that now he is a moſt accompliſhed Stateſman; therefore, whenever Lord North reſigns, he is to ſucceed him, and will give the Publick Reaſon to ſay very different Things of him from what they have hitherto ſaid. However ſtrange this may appear, we are told it is Fact.

The Tea Tree is become ſo far naturalized to our Climate, that, at this Time, there is one of them in full Bloom in the open Ground at Mr. Gordon's Nurſery at Mile End.

They write from Madrid, that a Diſcovery has been made of a Set of Coiners in South America, who have counterfeited the Specie of that Country to the Amount of ſix or eight Millions. Several Jeſuits are found among them.

Several Accounts from Spain inform that there was never greater Expedition made in the ſeveral Seaports of that Kingdom, in building new Ships, and repairing the old Ones, than at preſent.

The Pruſſian Ambaſſadnur not meeting with ſuch a ſatisfactory Reception, in a late Conference, as he expected, thought fit to throw out a Menace of returning home abruptly; to which he was anſwered, with great Indifference, "Sir, you have certainly a Right to go when you pleaſe, but remember, when once you have ſet out, you are not to return again."

The favourite Son (Mr. Charles Fox) of an almoſt ſuperannuated Nobleman (Lord Holland) is expected to take a new Lead in the next Seſſion of Parliament. The Story circulated is this: Lord Gower, who has long looked with wiſhing Eyes on the firſt Department in the Treaſury, and was not long ago defeated in an Attempt to obtain it, made ſome Overtures to this young Gentleman about the Office of Chancellor of the Exchequer, which he deſired him to conſider of, as he might poſſibly in a ſhort Time meet with an Offer of that Kind; upon which Mr. Fox, it is ſaid, replied, that as he was not uſed to waſte Time in conſidering, when the Intereſt of his Country was at Stake, whenever his Lordſhip could ſucceed in placing himſelf at the Head of that Board, he was ready to accept the Chancellorſhip of the Exchequer.

Our Letters from various foreign Parts inform us, that the Jeſuits have every Where puzzled their Proſecutors and Scrutators. It appears, that the chief Object which incited the Branches of the Bourbon Family to inſiſt on the Pope's Abolition of the Jeſuitical Society was in Order to finger their Treaſures; and, now that the Point is come to the Trial, there is actually little Treaſure to be found. Some begin to ſuſpect, that they were not ſo rich as was imagined; others, that they have concealed it; and ſome, perhaps with better Judgment, that the Pope procraſtinated their Suppreſſion on Purpoſe to give them Time to ſecure their Property. If this be true, the Pope, like a true Friend, never forſook them, while he could by any Means help it.

Orders are given from the Admiralty Office for victualling four Men of War of the Line at Plymouth, for ſix Months.

A Plan is ſaid to have been lately ſuggeſted for entirely aboliſhing the Vice Admiralty Courts in America, and to eſtabliſh in the Room thereof Offices for the Tranſaction of naval Buſineſs upon a more general Plan.

November 13. It is confidently ſaid, at the weſt End of the Town, that the Biſhop of Oſnabrug, when of Age, is to reſide at his biſhoprick, and that either this Prince, or the next Brother (though all believe the former) will be made Elector of Hanover; which Scheme has been long in Contemplation with the Miniſtry, ſince it is well known that it is a great Encumbrance to the Crown, and has been ever made the Pretext of War with our Enemies.

The King of Pruſſia has very lately revived the old Claim on the Court of London, of the Money due to him at the Concluſion of the laſt Peace, and in ſuch Terms that there is not the leaſt Doubt of his Intentions of appearing before Hanover next Spring at the Head of his Troops; which when a certain patriotick Nobleman heard, he ſaid, he did not wonder at it, but was rather ſurpriſed he had not done it long ago, as he could not be unacquainted by his Miniſter at our Court with the conveiſed Situation of our Affairs, and the Feebleneſs of our Miniſtry.

Lord Shelburne has been more in Town this Summer than almoſt any other Nobleman, which has cauſed much Speculation at St. James's. The above Nobleman, it is ſaid, has refuſed joining ſome others in a Party to oppoſe Adminiſtration the enſuing Seſſion; having for ſome Time paſt enjoyed the Sweets of Serenity, and finding it ſo differently agreeable from what he experienced by employing himſelf otherwiſe, that it is thought he will endeavour to enjoy his preſent Happineſs for the Remainder of his Life. This proves him to be, what the ſenſible Part of the World always thought him, a truly noble and amiable Man.

It was yeſterday currently reported, that a Challenge has been given and accepted of between a certain Patriot (Mr. Wilkes) and a late Magiſtrate (Mr. Townſend) owing to the latter calling the former to an Account for the Abuſe he had thrown upon him during his Magiſtracy. We hear, from creditable Authority, that there will be a ſerious Conteſt for the vacant Repreſentative's Seat for London. A late India Director is publickly mentioned as an Opponent to the preſent Mayor, to ſupport Sir Robert Ladbroke, as Member of Parliament for this City.

A Diſcovery has lately been made at Paris of a great Number of Manuſcript Papers of M. de Fenelon, Archbiſhop of Cambray. This valuable Acquiſition conſiſts of a Tranſlation of ſix Books of Homer's Odyſſey, a Tranſlation of the chief Orations of Domeſthenes, great Numbers of Letters, Themes given to the Duke of Burgundy, corrected with his own Hand, and Telemachus, with ſeveral Additions and Notes that never appeared before.

A Gentleman of the Law, in Clement's Inn, has undertaken, for a Wager of 500*l.* to walk from York to London, and back again, in the Space of ſix Days; the Diſtance is 403 Miles. Several Thouſand Pounds are betted, and he ſets out on this extraordinary Journey on Monday Morning next.

An additional Gold Furnace has lately been put up in the Tower, ſo that there are now three Furnaces at Work, which melt three Courſes each; that is, Gold ſufficient for the Coinage of 27,000 Guineas daily.

Letters from Vienna mention that a Number of Chriſtian Slaves, redeemed in the Years 1771, 1772, and 1773, from Africa, Aſia, and European Turkey, by the Fathers of the Trinity, made their Entry into that City on Sunday the 24th ult. They were in Number eighty Men and two Women, and after traverſing the principal Streets they were conducted to an Hoſpital in the Suburbs which had been prepared for their Reception.

A few Days ſince a fair Venus, who had greatly involved herſelf in Debt, and was afraid of an Arreſt, went to a Publick Houſe not far from Wapping, where ſhe found a ſmart young Sailor, a native of Ireland, to whom ſhe made her Addreſſes. The Bargain was agreed on for a Suit of new Clothes to go Church in, five Guineas, and all the matrimonial Expenſe. A Licenſe was immediately taken out, and they were accordingly married. Jack enjoyed four Nights of his ſweet Dulcinea, when he went on Board, and then took an everlaſting Farewell; and the Lady then told her Creditors, they might ſue her Huſband for Payment.

November 15. The Archbiſhop of Lemberg, Prince Primate of Poland, who lately died at Warſaw, has left his whole Fortune, which is very conſiderable, to his Poliſh Majeſty.

The Lords of the Admiralty, it is ſaid, have given Orders for ſixteen Sail of the Line, completely manned and victualled, to be ready to rendezvous at Spithead the 10th of February next.

They write from Liſbon, that a Portugueſe Man of War arrived lately in the Tagus, from a Cruiſe, which had, about ſixteen Leagues off the Rock, met an Algerine Zebeck, mounting twenty Guns. They both at firſt hoiſted Engliſh Colours, but upon drawing nearer each other, ſtruck them, and diſplayed their proper Ones; upon which the Portugueſe Man of War ran out her lower Tier, and poured a Broadſide into the Algerine, which ſunk her, and moſt of the Crew periſhed.

On Tueſday Morning laſt a Duel, with Sword and Piſtol, was fought at the Back of Montague Houſe between two City Barbers. A Difference of Opinion happening between them, the Evening before, they agreed to determine it in this Manner. Being met, it was propoſed that they ſhould turn Back to Back, walk ten Paces, then turn and fire. One of them, however, walked only five Paces, when he fired, and wounded the other in the left Arm, who immediately turned round, and after firing his Piſtol without Effect, ran up to his Antagoniſt, and uſed his Fiſts ſo dexterouſly that he cloſed his Eyes, while his Sword ſlept peaceably in its Scabbard. One of thoſe Heroes lives in St. Martin's le Grand. It is worthy of Remark, that one of them was armed with a broad the other with a ſmall Sword.

A Meſſage to the following Effect is ſaid to be in Contemplation: "His Majeſty finds it neceſſary to obſerve how great Licenſe is taken in "publiſhing falſe and ſcandalous Libels, ſuch as are a Reproach to any "Government. This Evil ſeems to be too ſtrong for the Laws now in "Force. It is therefore recommended to you to find a Remedy equal to "the Miſchief."

Sir Charles Knowles, it is ſaid, will return the enſuing Spring, ſhould a Peace, as is generally expected, take Place between the Turks and Ruſſians.

Saturday Morning a private Board was held at Lord Sandwich's Houſe in the Admiralty, at the breaking up of which a Packet was ſent off to Falmouth, to be forwarded with all Speed to the *Britiſh* Admiral in the *Mediterranean*.

They write from Dublin, that an Act is intended to be paſſed this Seſſion, laying a heavy Penalty on Iriſh Artificers going into foreign Service, and on thoſe who engage them.

In Conſequence of Orders from the War Office, for the augmenting his Majeſty's Marines to 56 Men in each Company, ſeveral Recruiting Parties are gone into different Parts of the Country for that Purpoſe.

A Gentleman lately arrived from Morlaix, in France, informs us, that while he was at that Place he converſed with ſeveral Engliſh Ship Carpenters, every One of whom told him they had double Wages paid them to what they had received when in the Engliſh Dockyards, and that there was a great Demand for Ship Carpenters. Such Encouragement given by the Enemies of Great Britain ought to awaken the Attention of thoſe in Power.

Extract of a Letter from Portſmouth, *November* 11.

"Sir Edward Hughes is arrived here from London, and will ſail for the Eaſt Indies the firſt fair Wind, in the Saliſbury of fifty Guns, with the Seahorſe of ten Guns. They have been ready ſome Time. We have had the longeſt Courſe of weſterly Winds, and the moſt Rain, that has been remembered for many Years."

November 16. A Correſpondent ſays, that if the actual State of the Nation be but conſidered with a diſpaſſionate Eye, and with an equal Diſdain of Court Servility and Party Spirit, the following Concluſion can hardly fail of being drawn, viz. that the Britiſh Annals do not afford a Conjuncture more pregnant than the preſent One with an indiſpenſable Neceſſity for Recourſe to Parliament, if that Body is not reduced to a mere ſhadowy unſubſtantial Form. The critical Situation of Things on the Continent, the Attention due to Ireland, the tender Conſideration of our Colonies, the Fluctuating of the publick Credit, the Danger of Depopulation, a Reinſpection into a Caſtle in the Air, which, for a Stronghold of the Mogul Empire, has been built in that Field of Wind, with a Number of other Points remaining to be adjuſted and ſettled for the Safety and Satisfaction of the People of this Country, all theſe, one would naturally imagine, form ſuch a Maſs of parliamentary Buſineſs, and ſo brookleſs of Delay, as muſt fix on an Adjournment, at this Time, a Note of even a treaſonable Negligence or Omiſſion. But no! however manifeſtly there be an Accumulation of Affairs, great and important enough to command an uninterrupted Seſſion to commence from this Inſtant, and continue to Midſummer, that is to ſay, if a due Digeſtion of them was to take Place, inſtead of the uſual crude, ſuperficial, ſlovenly Manner of treating them, there are who dare talk of putting off the Seſſion to a diſtant Day as of a Meaſure long reſolved on. As ſuch a Meaſure, then, is flagrantly oppoſite to every Idea of common Juſtice to the People, and conſequently to ſound Policy, the Odds are a Thouſand to one that the Report is true. Be it ſo. There is one Conſolation, however, remains to this unfortunate Country, that ſince the Activity of a dead Majority is either deſtroyed by an effeminate Indolence, a rotten Acquieſcence, or engroſſed by Seliſhneſs, and by Objects full as foreign to this Nation as to that of Monopotapa, a Parliament not ſitting, nor doing any Thing, muſt be ſtill preferable to a Parliament that, when ſitting, is for ever doing Something infinitely worſe than Nothing.

A Privy Council is to meet to-morrow at St. James's, for limiting the farther Time for the Prorogation of Parliament, after which it is expected a Proclamation will be iſſued out.

The Lively Man of War, from Boſton, is arrived at Portſmouth.

CHARLESTOWN, *December* 24.

ON Wedneſday the 1ſt of this Month the Ship London, Alexander Curling Maſter, arrived in this Port from London, having on Board 257 Cheſts of Tea, ſhipped by the Honourable the Eaſt India Company, and conſigned, for Sale, to ſome Merchants here; who, finding that their receiving the ſaid Conſignment would be generally diſagreeable to the Inhabitants, declined having any Thing to do with it. And on Wedneſday laſt, when the Time limited by Act of Parliament for paying the Duty expired, the Collector of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms, agreeable to the Laws in that Caſe made, landed the ſaid Tea, and lodged the ſame in his Majeſty's Warehouſe, where it now remains, the Duty thereon not having been paid.

A Schooner named the Dove, from Africa, with about 100 Negroes on Board, for St. Auguſtine, was loſt in the Night of the 18th of laſt Month on the Coaſt of Eaſt Florida. The Maſter, two Mariners, and about eighty of the Negroes, were drowned; the others ſwam aſhore. The Schooner went immediately to Pieces.

On the 2d of this Month the Brigantine Eaſt Florida Merchant, Captain Loſthouſe, from London, with a valuable Cargo for St. Auguſtine, after being at Anchor about a Fortnight off St. Auguſtine Bar, attempted to get over; but it falling a dead Calm, the Veſſel ſtruck upon the Bar, where ſhe lay, before ſhe went to Pieces, for about ten Days, during which Time about two Thirds of the Cargo was got aſhore, but conſiderably damaged. Happily, none of the People were loſt.

We are informed, from St. Auguſtine, that two Launches are immediately to be built by Government for the Purpoſe of lightening Veſſels off the Bar, and for towing them into the Harbour; a Precaution always taken by the Spaniards, while St. Auguſtine was in their Poſſeſſion.

We are likewiſe informed, from St. Auguſtine, that a Dockyard is to be eſtabliſhed at St. Mary's, in Eaſt Florida, for the Uſe of his Majeſty's Navy in the ſouthern Diſtrict of North America.

On Wedneſday laſt the new Theatre in this Town was opened with Mr. Kelly's Word to the Wiſe, and High Life below Stairs, with an occaſional Prologue and Epilogue ſpoken by Mr. Hallam and Mrs. Douglaſs. The Performance gave univerſal Satisfaction; Mr. Hallam in particular, in Captain Dormer, diſplayed his extraordinary theatrical Talents, in a moſt ſpirited Manner. Indeed, all the Performers did great Juſtice to their Characters; but that Gentleman's ſuperiour Abilities were ſo remarkably ſtriking, that we could not paſs them over unnoticed. The Houſe is elegantly finiſhed, and ſuppoſed, for the Size, to be the moſt commodious on the Continent. The Scenes, which are new, and well deſigned, the Dreſſes, the Muſick, and, what had a very pleaſing Effect, the Diſpoſition of the Lights, all contributed to the Satisfaction of the Audience, who expreſſed the higheſt Approbation of their Entertainment.

NEWPORT, *December* 20.

WE can aſſure the Publick, that a Lady in this Town, of affluent Circumſtances, and equal to any One in it for good Senſe, Politeneſs, and Conſequence, laſt Week came to the Reſolution to have no India Tea drank in her Family until the Duty upon that Article is taken off; an Example well worthy the Imitation of every Individual in the Colony, and throughout the Continent.

It is a Matter of Fact, that the People in Boſton are leaving off drinking India Tea very faſt.

Laſt Monday was killed, at the Country Seat of Abraham Redwood, Eſq; on this Iſland, a Hog two Years and a Half old, which, when dreſſed, weighed 512 Pounds.

NEW YORK, *January* 3.

WE hear from Charleſtown, South Carolina, that the ſending back the Tea Ship having been, by Accident or Deſign, delayed till the Expiration of the twenty Days, after which, by the Act, the Duties are to become payable, the Tea was then ſeized by the Cuſtomhouſe Officers, and landed in their Cuſtody. We have no circumſtantial Account of the Affair, nor by what Means the patriotick Deſigns which by our laſt Accounts were ſo warmly and unanimouſly purſued by the Carolinians were defeated, nor what is likely to be the Conſequences of landing the Tea. It has been reported, that a Difference had ariſen between the Merchants and the Planters; and that, through private Animoſity, publick Duty was neglected. It is, however, conjectured that both Parties will recover their Senſes before it be too late, and unite in Support of the Rights and Liberties of their Country. If the Tea ſhould be deſtroyed in the Hands of the Cuſtomhouſe Officers, they will doubtleſs be liable both for the Duties and Value of the Tea, which otherwiſe would have gone back ſafe to the Owners; and, in ſuch a difficult Caſe, their Officiouſneſs was inexcuſable, not only as it may prove the ſole Cauſe of the Loſs of the Tea, but as it may call the Authority of the Cuſtomhouſe itſelf, Courts of Admiralty, Poſt Office, &c. into Queſtion. While they operate merely as Regulators of Trade, for publick Convenience, People are not diſpoſed to examine their Foundations; but as ſoon as they begin to appear as Inſtruments of Tyranny, to deprive the Colonies of their Rights, it is Time to conſider the Authority on which they are eſtabliſhed among us.

January 6. This Day the General Aſſembly will meet, for the Deſpatch of the publick Buſineſs of this Province.

The Ship Nancy, Captain Lockyer, with Tea on Board, on Account of the Honourable the Eaſt India Company, ſailed the ſame Day with the Ship Dutcheſs of Gordon.

By Captain Maſon, who arrived here on Saturday laſt, in ſix Days from Charleſtown, we are informed that Captain Curling having entered his Ship, loaded with Dry Goods, and the Honourable the Eaſt India Company's Tea, and proceeding to land the former, the Officers of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms ſeized the Veſſel; but the Collector, like a Gentleman of true Senſibility, promiſed the Inhabitants that he would not ſell any of the Tea until he received Advice and Inſtructions concerning it from London.

After all the Inveſtigations and Reſearches into the Occaſion of the Fire laſt Wedneſday, at Fort George, it has been impoſſible to account for its Riſe. It broke out in the Council Chamber; and all the Partitions in the Houſe being of Wood, the Deſtruction became general in an Inſtant. The Loſs ſuſtained in this melancholy Scene, in Caſh, Plate, and Jewels, is 7000l. Sterling at leaſt, over and above many publick and all the Governour's private Papers; for Nothing eſcaped the Flames, ſave ſome Kitchen Furniture. One Life was loſt, a Servant Girl about ſixteen Years old, named Elizabeth Gafret; who, after being awaked, and appriſed of her Danger, loitered behind to ſecure ſome Covering before ſhe attempted an Eſcape; but unhappily ſhe was prevented by ſuffocating Columns of Smoke, which were rapidly followed by the inexorable Fire. Mrs. Patterſon threw Miſs Tryon out of a Window, and preſently followed herſelf. A Soldier (named Stone) of the Royal Welſh Fuſileers, caught them. The latter received no Injury; and the former, though conſiderably bruiſed, is ſince much recovered.

We have the Pleaſure to inform the Publick, that his Excellency, his Lady, and Daughter, are well.

The Great Seal of the Province was raked out of the Ruins, on the Evening of the 31ſt of December, without being the leaſt defaced.

The Day after the above Fire his Excellency our Governour ſent the following Letter to the Worſhipful Whitehead Hicks, Eſq; Mayor of this City: "Sir, deeply impreſſed as I am with a grateful Senſe of the "ſtrenuous Endeavours of the Citizens to extinguiſh the raging Fire "which happened at Fort George laſt Night, and greatly threatened the "Safety of the whole City, I find myſelf irreſiſtibly compelled to requeſt "you to communicate to them my cordial and affectionate Thanks for "the Skill and Activity with which all Ranks exerted themſelves on the "alarming Occaſion. I am, Sir, your very obedient humble Servant,

WILLIAM TRYON."

In ſuch an unforeſeen and calamitous Manner hath this great and good Man been viſited, at a Time when he was endeavouring, by the moſt liberal Donations, to relieve the Misfortunes and dry up the Tears of the Priſoner, the Fatherleſs, and the Widow, in all Parts of the Province; a Man whoſe Attachment to his Royal Maſter, and Deſire to do him Service, can only be equalled by his Excellency's unwearied Aſſiduity in communicating Happineſs to thoſe faithful and loyal Subjects who are placed under his immediate Superintendence.

Colonel Fanning alſo, his Excellency's principal Secretary, a Gentleman univerſally eſteemed for his Humanity and Benevolence, hath been a very great Sufferer, but is happy in ſaving the Papers belonging to the Surrogate's Office.

His Excellency the Governour has taken the Houſe lately occupied by Major Bayard, in Broad Street.

The moſt comfortable of all Conditions in human Life, laſt Sunday Fortnight, met with a ſhocking Affront. It happened at a principal Town in Long Iſland, as follows. A Woman of 48, and a Man of 36, had agreed to be married, and a Miniſter was engaged to perform the ſacred Rite. The Man, upon calling at the Manſion of his intended Spouſe, and not finding her at home, was jocoſely told that her Mind was ſuddenly changed, and ſhe had rode off to avoid his Importunities. He, taking all for Goſpel, ſuddenly retired, and ſlipping the Halter from his Horſe's Head, faſtened it round his own, and very compoſedly aſcended a venerable Tree in the Road, on which the diſmal Demoniack was the next Morning found, by his own Father, ſuſpended by the Neck, between Heaven and Earth, a lifeleſs Corpſe.

The Caſe of the Highlanders, lately landed here from Scotland, is truly deplorable. We are told that 280 Souls were ſhipped in a very ſmall Veſſel, that on the Paſſage there proved to be an extreme Scarcity of Proviſions, and that 81 Perſons died on Shipboard.

An excellent Charity Sermon was preached laſt Sunday Evening, in the old Preſbyterean Church in this City, by the Reverend Dr. Witherſpoon, and a very generous Contribution was made for the Relief of the poor People lately arrived here from the Highlands of Scotland, whoſe neceſſitous Circumſtances loudly call for for the charitable Aſſiſtance of the Benevolent and Humane.

To the Benevolent and Humane: After Sermon in all the Engliſh Churches of this City, next Sunday Morning, a Collection will be made for the preſent Relief of the diſtreſſed Highlanders lately arrived at this Port from Scotland. *Bleſſed is the Man that provideth for the Sick and Needy, the Lord ſhall deliver him in the Time of Trouble.*

WILLIAMSBURG, *January* 27.

BY Letters from Boſton, we hear that the Ladies of that Place, to their immortal Honour, have entered into an Aſſociation againſt the Uſe of Eaſt India Tea; and that they intend ſending their Compliments ſoon to all the other Ladies on the Continent to refrain from that baneful Practice, at leaſt till America is freed from Parliamentary Taxation.—— The Province of Maſſachuſetts Bay, it is ſaid, when Occaſion requires, can raiſe 80,000 effective Men.

Some little While ago, as we are informed, a Merchant in this Colony, for the better Security of his invaluable Storehouſe, ordered a Door to be made which ſhould baffle the Attempts of the moſt redoubted Knaves; and he was quickly furniſhed with one, at the *moderate* Price of forty even Pounds, in Conſideration of its being amply defended by huge and unrelenting Nails. Repenting of his Bargain, however, and ſignifying his Compunction to a Neighbour, he, *very generouſly*, agreed to take the Door off his Hands, and give him a Peck of Corn for every Nail in it; which, it is ſaid (O fatal for him) amounts to a larger Crop than he is ever likely to reap from his Lands. A Suit is now depending, upon whoſe Hinges this ponderous Door ſhall ſwing.

Deaths.] Maſter JOHN ROBINSON, only Son of the late Speaker, at the Houſe of William Nelſon, Eſq; in Caroline. His Corpſe was brought to King and Queen, and buried on a high Point of Land near Mattapony River, a ſmall Diſtance above Turner's Warehouſe.

One favour'd Son engag'd Suſannah's Care,
One pious Youth her chief Affection crown'd;
In his young Breaſt the Virtues ſprung ſo fair,
Such Charms diſplay'd, ſuch Sweets diffus'd around.

But whilſt gay Tranſport in her Face appears,
A noxious Vapour clogs the poiſon'd Sky,
Blaſts the fair Crop—the Mother's drown'd in Tears,
And, ſcarce ſurviving, ſees her Darling die.

O'er the pale Corpſe we ſaw her gently bend;
Heart-chill'd with Grief—my Thread ſhe cry'd, is ſpun!
If Heaven had meant I ſhould my Life extend,
Heaven had preſerv'd my Life's Support, my Son!

Reverend JAMES PASTEUR, Rector of St. Bride's Pariſh, in Norfolk County.

Mr. PURDIE,

WHEN a Profeſſor of Rhetorick, and a Maſter of Stile, informs the World, as well as the Reverend Mr. Bracken, of *an eſtabliſhed Rule in the Schools, that Similes ſhould run on All-Fours*, I muſt ſuppoſe ſome valuable Doctrine to be contained in this Rule. However, I have not been happy to find out, by my own Cogitation, what this Doctrine is, and therefore I am very deſirous of an explanatory Lecture, or Diſſertation. Could I have ſucceeded in my Search, by my own Strength, I would not have thus called aloud for foreign Aſſiſtance; but, alas! I have puzzled myſelf to no Purpoſe. What gravels me in my Attempt to inveſtigate, on this Occaſion, is, I perceive, the Expreſſion *All-Fours*. It occurred to me, that there is a Game at Cards called *All-Fours*; but then, ſaid I to myſelf, it can never be the Meaning of *the Rule in the Schools* that Similes in general ſhould run upon this Game at Cards. I conſidered farther, that there is a Figure in Numeration which is called a Four, and that a Plurality of theſe may be juſtly denominated *Fours*; but then again, it could never be the Meaning of *the Rule in the Schools* that every Simile ſhould run upon theſe Numerals. If any Perſon, I obſerved to myſelf, ſhould ſay that a Dog, or a Cat, or a Coach, runs upon Four, I ſhould be at no Loſs for his Meaning, becauſe I could eaſily ſuppoſe the Expreſſion to be elliptical, and that the Word *Legs*, or *Wheels*, was to be underſtood; but if the ſame Perſon ſhould ſay, that a Dog, or a Cat, or a Coach, runs upon *All-Fours*, I ſhould find myſelf ſurrounded by a thick Miſt. I remembered to have met with the Expreſſion *All-Two*, but never that of *All-Twos*. This laſt Thought had like to have made me cry out, incomprehenſible Jargon! Barbariſm! Language not fit for the Schools! &c. But I checked myſelf, reflecting that it would better become me to be civil and reſpectful, and humbly to ſue for Inſtruction. I therefore hope that the *Junius* (and, if that be not enough, the Genius) of W. and M. will condeſcend to remove my Difficulties, and ſhow me how I may crack his precious Nut, and enjoy the ſweet Reliſh of its Kernel. When this has been done, I may then, perhaps, conſider whether it be not poſſible for ſome Circumſtance in an heroick, or mock-heroick Simile, to make up for the Defect of not *running on All-Fours*. Two Similes pop into my Head at preſent, which I ſhould be glad to have an Opportunity of examining by *the Rule of running on All-Fours*. One of them is that of Homer, where he compares the ſudden Cure of a Wound to the Operation of turning Milk into Curds; the other of them is that celebrated One of Butler, where he compares the Phenomena of a certain Morning to the Change wrought in a Lobſter by its being boiled.

I am, your humble Servant,

QUARTUS CUNCTIUS PEDANTICUS PHILOLOGUS.

Cleared from the Upper Diſtrict of JAMES *River.*

January 24. Lucy, John Driver, for Salem, with 1800 Buſhels of Corn, 50 Buſhels of Wheat, and 30 Buſhels of Beans.

28. Molly, Iſaac Younghuſband, for Liverpool, with 11,400 Buſhels of Wheat, 8 Barrels of Flower, and 11,000 Staves.

Entered in the Lower Diſtrict of JAMES RIVER.

January 13. Schooner Molly, John Wootten, from Rhode Iſland, with 4 Bags of Coffee, and Ballaſt.

18. Schooner Greyhound, Abraham Trefethen, from Piſcataway, with 20 Barrels of Onions, 21 Barrels of Potatoes, 20 Hhds. and 2 Barrels of pickled Fiſh, 6 Barrels of Salmon, 20 Quintals of dry Fiſh, 17 Barrels of Oil, 1000 Weight of Sole Leather, 1 Deſk, and 4 Paſſengers.

Cleared Outwards.

January 21. Sloop Betſey, Lewis Hatton, for Antigua, with 1800 Buſhels of Corn, 102 Buſhels of Peaſe, 20 Barrels of Pork, 25,000 Shingles, and 1000 Staves.

☞ *The Piece ſigned* INSPECTOR *ſhall have a Place in our next; but the* COPY *of* VERSES, *being two perſonal, we muſt beg to be excuſed from inſerting.*

Advertiſements.

NORFOLK, *January* 19, 1774.

AS the Copartnery of *James Campbell* and Company expires in *Auguſt* next, all Perſons indebted thereto are deſired to make ſpeedy Payment; and as there is a great Number of Accounts which have been long outſtanding, thoſe who fail to pay, or ſettle by Bond or otherwiſe, at or before the Meeting of the Merchants in *Williamſburg*, may depend upon being ſued. In the Meantime, the Buſineſs will be carried on as uſual.

PRINCE GEORGE, *January* 4, 1774.

THE Creditors of the late Mr. SAMUEL GORDON are deſired to give in their ſeveral Claims againſt his Eſtate to Mr. *John Baird*, in Order that they may be diſchaged as ſoon as the Money can poſſibly be raiſed, as I am determined to bring Matters to a Concluſion as ſoon as it is in my Power. The Debtors cannot therefore think of longer Indulgence.

ALEXANDER GORDON, Adminiſtrator.

For CHARTER *to any Part of* Europe,

THE Ship *Margaret*, *Robert Speirs* Maſter, a fine new Veſſel, Burthen 400 Hogſheads, and now lying at *Norfolk*. For Terms apply to *Andrew Sprowle*, of *Goſport*, or the Maſter on Board.

PETERSBURG, *January* 14, 1774.

THE Subſcriber has ſix Bales of ROLLS (imported laſt Month in the *Thomas*) which he will ſell at a very low Advance, for Tobacco or Caſh. They coſt from 5d. three Farthings to 6d. Halfpeny, and are very good at the Price.

HENRY LOCHHEAD.

To be SOLD, *to the higheſt Bidder, at* March Pittſylvania *Court*,

MY Plantation on *Turkey Cock*, near the ſaid Courthouſe, with 1100 Acres of Land. As I have already given ſome Deſcription of the Land and Plantation, it is needleſs to ſay any Thing more on that Head. About 250l. of the Purchaſe Money is to be paid down; or if the Payment thereof can be made certain by the latter End of the enſuing General Court, it will be ſufficient. Two Years Credit will be allowed for the Balance, on giving good Security; and the Bond to carry Intereſt from the Date, if not paid in Time.

GEORGE JEFFERSON.

N. B. I ſhall be ready at the Time above mentioned to treat with any Perſon for any other Part of my Lands in the ſaid County.

Purſuant to a Decree of the Worſhipful Court of Southampton, *will be* SOLD, *to the higheſt Bidder, on* Thurſday *the* 10*th of* March, *at the Courthouſe, being Court Day*,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND, containing by Eſtimation 750 Acres, whereon Mr. *Thomas Wills* formerly lived. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe may be informed of the Quality and Situation of the Land by applying to the ſaid *Thomas Wills*, in *Southampton*. Three Months Credit will be allowed to the Purchaſer, on giving Bond and Security to JOSEPH and WILLIAM SCOTT.

To be SOLD, *to the higheſt Bidder, on* Tueſday *the* 15*th of* March, *on the Premiſes, and may be entered on immediately*,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND on *Dan* River, *Halifax* County, containing 1758 Acres, Part of which is rich low Grounds, and there are all convenient Houſes on it. A farther Deſcription is thought needleſs, as it is preſumed no Perſon will purchaſe without viewing it. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed for one Half the Purchaſe Money, and two Years for the Remainder. Mr. *John Baird* will treat for the Land and attend the Sale, to whom Bond and Security is to be given. Mrs. *Perrin*'s Dower is laid upon this Land. I will ſhow the Land at any Time before the Sale. (t. d. s) WILLIAM WADE.

To be SOLD, *in* Fauquier *County*,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND, containing 5 or 600 Acres, whereon are high, dry, and healthful Situations, with fine Proſpects of the Mountains, convenient to Court, Churches, Meeting Houſes, Mills, &c. within 26 Miles of *Dumfries*, 35 of *Falmouth*, and 40 of *Alexandria*. The Land is in the Heart of a fine Wheat or Tobacco Country, either of which, or any other Commodity, may be advantageouſly diſpoſed of at either of the above mentioned Markets, or in the Neighbourhood, where are ſeveral Stores. For Terms apply to the Subſcriber, near the Premiſes. (4) JOHN CHILTON.

NORFOLK, *January* 15, 1774.

THE Subſcribers have removed from *Portſmouth* to this Place, and have for Sale, at their Store on the *Town Point* Wharf, *Weſt India* and *North Ward* RUM, old *Barbados* CANE SPIRIT, Muſcovado and Loaf SUGAR, COFFEE, PIMENTA, *Madeira* WINE, from two to ſix Years old, of the *London* Market Quality, *Teneriff*, *Calcavella*, *Malaga*, and *St. Michael's* WINES, a few *Holland* made IRON CHESTS, MARBLE SLABS, a Quantity of beſt GUN FLINTS, and a ſmall Cargo of very fine *Liſbon* SALT.

INGLIS & LONG.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, in *Auguſt* laſt, a ſtout well ſet outlandiſh Negro Fellow named TOM, talks but indifferent *Engliſh*, and perhaps cannot tell his Maſter's Name and Place of Reſidence, is marked on his Back, and I believe Breaſt, with his Country Marks, has filed Teeth, a large Scar or Dent on one Side of his Head, a large Scar acroſs the Outſide of his left Wriſt, and, if I miſtake not, one or more of his Fingers are ſomewhat crooked or contracted, and he is very Parrot-toed. Had on when he went away an Oſnabrug Shirt and ſhort Roſs Trouſers, and carried with him a Cotton Jacket. Whoever brings the ſaid Negro to me, in *Amelia*, ſhall have 40s. Reward, beſides what the Law allows, and 5l. if taken out of the Colony.

FRANCIS EPPES.

N. B. I have ſtill for Sale the ſeveral Tracts of Land, near *Peterſburg*, belonging to the Eſtate of Mr. *Thomas Williams*, deceaſed, formerly advertiſed in this Paper, and particularly deſcribed.

RUN away, on *Monday* the 18th of *October* laſt, a likely Mulatto Girl named FANNY, about fourteen or fifteen Years of Age; ſhe formerly belonged to Mr. *Auguſtine Smith*, of *Middleſex*, with whom I am informed her Mother, named *Joan*, now lives as Cook. I have great Reaſon to ſuſpect that ſhe has been harboured by a Negro Fellow named *Moſes*, belonging to *Peyton Randolph*, Eſq; about his Quarter in *Merchants Hundred*, from whence, I ſuppoſe, ſhe will endeavour to croſs about *York* to go to her Relations in *Middleſex*. Whoever apprehends the ſaid Slave, and ſecures, her in any of his Majeſty's Jails, and gives me Notice thereof, ſhall have 3l. Reward, or 4l. if delivered to me in *Williamſburg*. JOHN LEWIS.

For SALE, *on reaſonable Terms, at* NEWCASTLE,

Choice MADEIRA WINE.
Kenton's BOTTLED PORTER.
Weſt India RUM.
CHEESE, of different Sorts.
Cadiz SALT.
Several Pair of very handſome large gilt LOOKING GLASSES.
DRESSING GLASSES of different Sizes.
OSNABRUGS.
BAR IRON and GERMAN STEEL.
BRASS CHARIOT WHEEL BOXES, &c.

J. SYME.

THE Perſon who has got a Plan of the Lots on the *College Landing*, or a Plan of *Johnſon's* Lots, in the City of *Williamſburg*, is deſired to ſend them to MATTHEW DAVENPORT.

ALL Perſons are forewarned from Hunting, Fowling, or Fiſhing, on any Part of the Lands belonging to the Eſtate of *William Lightfoot*, Eſq; deceaſed, by the Executors. (||)

FREDERICKSBURG, *January* 14, 1773.

THE 29th of this Inſtant being appointed by the JOCKEY CLUB for one of their quarterly Meetings, it is deſired that thoſe Members who can make it convenient will attend on that Day.

(||) GEORGE WEEDON, Secretary.

WILLIAMSBURG, *January* 19, 1773.

A PERSON who underſtands the Buſineſs of a DRAWER, and comes well recommended, will meet with good Encouragement by applying to ROBERT ANDERSON.

GLOUCESTER, *January* 12, 1774.

I INTEND to leave the Colony very ſoon.

JOHN THROCKMORTON.

To be SOLD, *on* Thurſday *the* 3*d of* March, *at* Glouceſter *Courthouſe*,

THE upper GLEBE in *Ware* Pariſh, containing 300 Acres. It is eſteemed one of the beſt high Land Plantations in *Glouceſter* County, a fine Swamp runs through it, abounding with Aſh, and the Range is excellent. Credit will be allowed until the 1ſt of *December*, Bond and Security being given to the Truſtees. The Reverend Mr. *Fontaine* will ſhow the Land to any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe it.

JANUARY 12, 1773.

THE Snow HOPE, *George Holmes* Commander, Burthen about 320 Hogſheads of Tobacco, now lying at *Port Royal*, and ready to receive her Loading, will take in Tobacco, for *Liverpool*, at eight Pounds Sterling a Tun, with Liberty of Conſignment, provided Offers for near her Load be made within a Month; or will be let out, wholly, on Charter to *Liverpool* or *Whitehaven*, upon reaſonable Terms. Apply to the Captain on Board, or to

(2) EDWARD DIXON.
CHARLES YATES.

For SALE,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND on *Nottoway* River, near *Burche's* Bridge, *Brunſwick*, containing 750 Acres, 250 of which are exceeding fine low Ground, and ſome of it at a ſmall Expenſe may be converted into fine Meadows; the high Land in general is very ſtrong and rich, fit for Tobacco and Wheat, and for the latter a Market may be had within three Miles of the Place. This Plantation, at a ſmall Charge, may be made a very handſome Settlement for a private Family; having on it a good Dwelling-Houſe and other Outhouſes, with Apple and Peach Orchards, and is about thirty Miles from *Peterſburg*. The Payments will be made eaſy to the Purchaſer, and the Terms known by applying to the Subſcriber, on the Premiſes. (||) BURGESS WALL.

To be SOLD, *on* Tueſday *the* 1*ſt of* February,

TWO Hundred Acres of well timbered Land in *York* County, being Part of the Land where I now live, about ten Acres of which are cleared, and a good Dwelling-Houſe upon it. It is the Place where *John Glaſs*, deceaſed, formerly lived, is within five Miles of *Williamſburg*, and two of *Capahoſick* Ferry. There is on the Land a great Deal of Timber and Wood, which may be eaſily conveyed to *Williamſburg*. A clear Right and Title will be made to the Land, and Credit allowed for one Half the Money until *April* next, and for the other Half until *April* 1775, on giving Bond and Security.—— The ſame Day will be ſold a very good Riding Chair, Horſe, and Harneſs, alſo a Mare Colt, three Years old next Spring; Credit for which will be allowed till the laſt Day of *April* next, the Purchaſer giving Bond and Security to Mr. *Stanhope Vaughan*. (2) BENJAMIN VALENTINE.

NEW KENT, *January* 13, 1774.

THE Legatees of *Richard Allen*, Senior, deceaſed, are deſired to meet at my Houſe on *Tueſday* the 8th of *February*, to divide the SLAVES of the ſaid Decedent, by mutual Conſent, and receive their reſpective Shares. They are required to take Notice that thoſe who do not attend themſelves, or ſend a Perſon properly empowered to act for them, will have all the Coſts to pay which may be incurred by a Suit in Order to ſuch Diviſion.—All Perſons who have any Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate are deſired to make them known, on or before that Day. (2||) RICHMOND ALLEN, Executor.

TAKEN up, in *Caroline*, a ſmall BAY HORSE about eight Years old, four Feet three Inches high, a cut Mane and Switch Tail, has a ſore Back, and branded on the near Buttock 7. Poſted, and appraiſed to 7l. 10s. (||) RICHARD BOOKER.

POETS CORNER.

WINTER's EVE.

Of frowning Winter, who deforms the Year,
And bids all Life and Beauty disappear,
Spread o'er the Ground his broodless Iron Wings,
With sable Sadness shades the Face of Things,
I sing the Evening; join my willing Lays,
And smile, ye Muses, on my faint Essays.
To you my Strains, Melpomene, belong,
Friend of the weeping Muse, and tragick Song.
Say, can a Poet gain ecstatick Fire
When Nature's Self does languish and expire!
When all around us wears so deep a Gloom,
As if Life's silent solemn Pause was come!
The Hills and Vallies, Woods, and sylvan Scenes,
Delightful Gardens, and embowering Greens,
(Views that the Poet in soft Raptures blind,
And wake Ideas in his pensive Mind)
Alas! are vanish'd from our longing Eyes,
And now, sad Change! far other Scenes arise;
Lest pleasing Motives gloomy Scenes controul,
And barren Dulness agitates the Whole.
No more we see, with Pleasure and Surprise,
In green Perspective distant Landscapes rise;
See Spires and Turrets, on the setting Day,
Shine with faint Lustre, and reflect Sol's Ray;
But swift descending Showers in Torrents fall,
And Clouds, and Rain, and Darkness, cover all.
With miry Steps the Bumpkin homeward hies,
To shield himself from the inclement Skies;
The lowly Cottage, from the driving Rain,
Receives the honest Weather-beaten Swain.
On goes the Stock Log, clear the Embers burn,
And all are joyful at the Sire's Return;
A neat Repast the good old Dame prepares,
In the Refreshment vanish all his Cares.
Then blow the Winds, or falls the heavy Rain,
It nought affects the shelter'd happy Swain;
Who finds Contentment, to the Great unknown,
Or all the Grandeur that attends the Throne:
Well pleas'd to see his Offspring round him throng,
And listening catch the Accents from his Tongue;
Whose Lessons point them out the happy Road,
" To look, through Nature, up to Nature's God."

COMMITTED to *Surry* Jail, the 2d of *November* last, a Negro Man who says his Name is JACOB ARMSTRONG, that he belongs to Mr. *Cornelius Collick*, in *Lewis Town*, *Maryland*, and ran away from a Vessel in *Roanoke* River, the Master's Surname *Hise*. He is about five Feet seven Inches high, had on a Woollen Coat, Sailor's Jacket, Check Shirt and Trousers. The Owner is desired to take him away, and pay Charges.

MICAJAH COGGIN, Jailer.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *October* last, a middle sized Negro Woman, about 35 Years of Age, has a few Specks of Black about the lower Part of her Face, some Scars on her Breast, and has a very impertinent Countenance; she was formerly the Property of Mr. *Morse*, at *Pequoson*. Her common Dress, when she went away, was blue Plains. I expect she may be in *Norfolk* or *Hampton*. Whoever secures the said Negro in any of his Majesty's Jails shall receive a Reward of 20s. from me, in *Williamsburg*.

JOHN DRAPER.

N. B. She is fond of Liquor, and apt to sing indecent and Sailors Songs when so. It is probable she will endeavour to pass for a free Woman. All Masters of Vessels, and others, are hereby forewarned from harbouring her.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a DUN COULOURED MARE about six Years old, four Feet four or five Inches high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, trots and gallops, and has a small Star in her Forehead. Posted, and appraised to 61. 6s. 8d.

(1) SAMUEL BENTLEY.

LOUISA, *January* 1, 1774.

WHEREAS a Person who goes by the Name of *James Foster*, and says he is blind, was some Time ago conducted to my House, near the Courthouse, purposing to go with me into *Brunswick* County, to buy an Estate there, but took the Liberty, at *Burgess*'s Ordinary (by some *furatious* Help) to go off with a bay Mare of mine, about eight Years old, four Feet five Inches high, and branded on the near Buttock T T, with Saddle, Bridle, and Bags, in which were some of my Clothes, I do hereby offer a Reward of 50s. to any Person who secures the said Villain *Lumen ademptum*, upon Notice being given to me. *N. B.* He had on a blue Coat and Breeches, with a gray Waistcoat.

(1) THOMAS FREEMAN.

LOST on the Road between *Harwood*'s Mill and *Williamsburg*, a Chair Box containing sundry Wearing Apparel and SURGEONS INSTRUMENTS. Whoever delivers them to the Subscriber, in *Williamsburg*, shall receive 40s. for their Trouble.

JOHN M. GALT.

PETERSBURG, *January* 4, 1774.

THE Subscriber having removed to *Petersburg*, begs all those indebted to him for Dealings at the Store lately kept by him at *Osborne*'s Warehouses, and whose Accounts are still open, to settle immediately and close them by Bond, if not by Payment. The Necessity he is under of fulfilling his own Engagements will oblige him to bring Suits against all who disregard this Advertisement.

JOHN FISHER.

NORFOLK, *January* 6, 1774.

THE Subscribers have received, by the last Ships from *Britain*, some Bales of GERMAN OSNABRUGS, BROWN ROLLS, RUSSIA DRILL, and SHEETING; which they will sell at a low Advance, in the Wholesale Way, for short Credit.

AITCHISON & PARKER.

WARWICK, *January* 4, 1774.

THE Subscriber has for SALE two exceeding good Negro BLACKSMITHS. One Half of the Money will be required at the ensuing *April* General Court, and the Remainder in *October*.

PATRICK HUNTER.

For SALE *in the Town of* Richmond, *on the Main Street*,

A LARGE well finished STORE HOUSE, WHEAT HOUSE, LUMBER HOUSE, KITCHEN, and STABLE, with one Acre of LAND enclosed; there are good Brick Cellars below the Store, and Wheat House the whole Extent. The Terms may be known by applying to the Subscriber, in *Manchester*.

(6) JAMES LYLE.

HALIFAX, *December* 22, 1773.

AS I have given over Trade in this County, I beg the Favour of all those who have Accounts unsettled on my Books to come and settle them immediately, by Bond or other Sureties. Such as fail may depend that Suits will be commenced against them, without Respect of Persons. Those whose Accounts are settled, and have been long due, I hope will pay proper Regard to this Advertisement, as longer Indulgence neither can or will be given. I would willingly rent my Storehouses, which are very convenient to Trade, and situated in the Centre where four Stores formerly were occupied that are now broke up, viz. *Buchanan* and *Hastie*'s, in *Charlotte*, Ditto in *Halifax*, *Donald* and Company, and this here. Those who have seen it declare it to be one of the most pleasant Situations in the back Country, and the Houses are built after the best Manner. Any Man in Trade, who may incline to rent, could either board with me or keep House himself, as there are all Manner of Conveniencies for that Purpose. I likewise could be of Service to any One who might be a Stranger in Trade here, as my Acquaintance is extensive in those Parts.

(4) WALTER ROBERTSON.

KING WILLIAM, *January* 8, 1774.

RUN away, in *July* last, MATT, a tall slim Negro Man, by Trade a Carpenter, and about forty Years old; he walks badly, having been Frost-bit in Prison some Years ago, by which he lost one of his great Toes, and the Print of the Irons he then had on may be seen plainly on his Legs. Whoever delivers him to me shall receive 3l. if taken within twenty Miles of my House, and 5l. if at a greater Distance.

(1) NATHANIEL BURWELL.

To be SOLD, *and Possession given in* February *next, or sooner, if required*,

THE FURNACE situated in the Township of *Salisbury*, and Province of *Connecticut*, *New England*, having been lately rebuilt on the most approved Plan, all the Conveniencies about the same being either new or in good Repair, together with all the Utensils, and a complete Set of Patterns for hollow Ware and other Castings; the sole Property of a Piece of Water from which the Furnace is supplied, the Area measuring 600 Acres; a Mansion House most agreeably situated, consisting of four Rooms on a Floor, a good Garden, and other Conveniencies; two other Houses for Workmen, a Store completely fitted for *English* and *West India* Goods and Provisions, a Compting House, &c. a large Barn, with Stabling for Horses and Oxen. Also a Property in the Bed of Iron Ore in said *Salisbury*, known by the *Ore Grant*, with an exclusive Right of digging, raising, and carrying away Ore from another Bed called *Chatfield*'s *Ore Bed*, and the Right of Soil in a Piece of Land joining west on the *Ore* Grant, which contains Iron Ore. These Beds all lie within two Miles of the Furnace, the Roads good. Also 753 Acres of Land, 300 of which are under Improvement, and the Whole well watered. The Premises are situated in a healthy, fruitful, and pleasant Country, on the high Road from *Hartford* to *Hudson*'s River and *Albany*, distant about thirty Miles from the River. The Quality of the Iron made from the above Ore is well known, both in *England* and *America*, to be equal to any made on this Continent. The Quantity of Ore, which lies near the Surface, appears inexhaustible, the Country round is well supplied with Wood for Coal, and the regular Supply of Water at all Seasons (without Danger from Floods) admits of the Furnace being in Blast all the Year. The Iron is excellent for Potash Kettles, Sugar Boilers for the *West Indies*, and military Stores. The Furnace not taking all the Water, any additional Works might be erected, with great Convenience, and small Expense. The rapid Settlement of an extensive Country, to the North and North West, must daily increase the Demand for every Article usually cast at a Furnace. An extensive Trade may be introduced in *English* and *West India* Goods, out of which the Works might be supplied with Stock and Provisions, and carried on with more Profit than such Business can be in a Country where there are few Inhabitants.

Also to be SOLD, a complete DOUBLE FORGE, with four Fires and two Hammers, now at Work, together with all necessary Utensils, situated in *Colebrook*, *Connecticut*, near the Road from *Hartford* to the Furnace, built in 1771, after the best Model, with a good Stream and Head of Water, and in Case of Need (in very dry Seasons) the Privilege of a Pond of Water five Miles in Length, for supplying of said Forge. The like Caution is observed to prevent the Business being retarded in Winter, by having the Wheels under Cover, with large Iron Stoves, and Canals cut to take the Surplus Water. Adjacent to the Forge there is a Dwelling-House with four Rooms on a Floor, a Store and Cellar, four Houses for Workmen, a Barn, Coal House, Iron House, and Blacksmith's Shop, all built in 1771; also a Saw Mill and Dwelling House at a small Distance from the Forge, with good Situations for erecting other Works on the same Stream, together with 289 Acres of Land round the Forge and Sawmill, about fifty of which are under Improvement. The Forge is situated in the Centre of a large Tract of Wood Land, surrounded with a cultivated Country, which is in Want of Bar Iron; there being very little refined Bar Iron manufactured in *Connecticut*, and the Consumption considerable. This Estate, joined with that at *Salisbury*, is capable of many Improvements. For farther Particulars apply to Mr. *Charles Startin* Merchant in *Philadelphia*, Mr. *Peter Vandervoort* Merchant in *New York*, Mr. *James Holmes* at the Furnace, Mr. *Jacob Ogden* at the Forge, or Captain *William Tiley* in *Hartford*. (tf)

For SALE, *the* LOT *and* HOUSES *near* Cabin Point *Warehouses, at present possessed by the Subscriber.*

THE Lot consists of four Acres well enclosed, a good Dwellinghouse with all necessary Outhouses, a Storehouse, Counting Room, and two Lumber Houses, all at present in very good Repair.

A TRACT of LAND in *Surry*, about six Miles from *Cabin Point*, containing 335 Acres, on which there is a Dwellinghouse, a small Apple and Peach Orchard, and a Quantity of very good Pine Timber.

Another TRACT in *Brunswick*, containing 355 Acres, known by the Name of *Smoky Ordinary*, with a good Dwellinghouse, necessary Houses, a Storehouse, Counting Room, and Lumber House, all lately built, and well adapted for either a Merchant or a Tavern Keeper. For Terms apply to *Thomas Simmons*, in *Brunswick*, or to

(tf) JAMES BUCHANAN.

TWENTY POUNDS REWARD.

RUN away from the Subscriber, a *Mulatto* Man named ABEL, about forty Years old, near six Feet high, has lost several of his Teeth, large Eyebrows, a Scar or two on some Part of his Face, occasioned by a Brick thrown at him by a Negro, is very apt to stroke his Hand over his Chin, and plays on the Violin. He is well known as a Pilot for *York* River and the *Bay*. As I have whipped him twice for his bad Behaviour, I believe Scars may be seen upon his Body. He can write so as to be understood, and once wrote a Pass for a Negro belonging to the Honourable Colonel *Corbin*, wherein he said the Fellow had served his Time honestly and truly. He has been to *England*, but the Captain he went with took Care to bring him back, and since his Return from that Country is very fond of Liquor. He is gone off in a Boat with two Masts, Schooner rigged, once a Pilot Boat, but now the Property of the *Magdalen* Schooner of War, and was seen, I am told, fifty or sixty Leagues to the southward of Cape *Henry*, from which it is expected he intends for one of the *Carolinas*. He is a very great Rogue, and is so instructed by several Persons not far from *Wormeley*'s Creek, *York* River; one of whom, he told me, said I was not worthy to be his Master. He had some Cash of my Son's, and an Order drawn by Captain *Punderson* on *Richard Corbin*, Esq; payable to *Ralph G. Meredith*, or myself. A white Lad went off with him, whom I cannot describe, never having seen him to my Knowledge. Whoever secures said Servant, so that I get him again, shall have the above Reward.

(tf) SAMUEL MEREDITH, Senior.

KING & QUEEN, *November* 16, 1773.

FOR SALE,

THE HOUSES and LOTS, in the Town of *York*, where the Subscriber now lives. The Dwelling-House is a very commodious One, with four Rooms above and four below, a very large Brick Storehouse, a large and well cultivated Garden, Stables, Kitchen, Wash House, &c. in good Repair. Also about one Hundred Acres of cleared high Land, and about sixteen Acres of exceeding good Meadow, making together a very square compact Parcel of Land, and will make a convenient little Farm for any Gentleman residing here, as it does not exceed two Miles and a Half from Town. For Terms inquire of

(tf) JACQUELIN AMBLER.

NEWMARKET (*Caroline*) *December* 1, 1773.

RUN away from the Subscriber, the latter End of *October* 1772, a likely Mulatto Man named RANDOLPH, about thirty Years of Age, and five Feet eight or nine Inches high; he had on, when he went away, a Suit of Green, with red Livery. As he has many Acquaintances about *Williamsburg*, it is probable he is lurking about that Place. Whoever delivers the said Slave to me shall have THREE POUNDS Reward.

(tf) ROBERT BAYLOR.

For SALE, *at our Store in* Norfolk,

OSNABRUGS, SADLERY, low priced HATS and CHECKS in assorted Packages, *Cadiz* SALT, *Barbados* and *Grenada* RUM, *Barbados* SPIRIT, choice *Lisbon* WINE in Quarter Casks, *Madeira* WINE in Pipes, Hogsheads, and Quarter Casks, of Sterling, *New York*, and *Virginia* Quality, COFFEE, GINGER, PIMENTA, *Muscovado* SUGAR, LOGWOOD, EARTHEN WARE, and *European* made CORDAGE.

(tf) GREENWOOD, RITSON, and MARSH.

N. B. Our Brig *Betsey*, Captain *Solomon Edey*, will sail for *Madeira* in fourteen Days, and return directly to *Norfolk*. Any of our Friends, or those connected with the House of Messr. *Lamar*, *Hill*, *Bissett*, and Company, will oblige us by their Orders for Wines by her.

For SALE,

ABOUT twelve Thousand Acres of exceeding rich TOBACCO LAND, in *Amherst* County, whereon are several Plantations and Improvements sufficient to work forty or fifty Hands. There is on the said Land for Sale a very valuable GRIST MILL, lately built, with a Stone Dam and a Pair of good *Cologne* Millstones, which Mill has for two Years past got upwards of 200 Barrels of Toll Corn, and is situated on a never failing Stream. The Land will be shown by *William Womack*, who lives at one of the Plantations, and the Prices of the Land made known by him. One or two Years Credit will be allowed, Interest being paid for the second Year, and also for the first, if the Money is not paid agreeable to Contract. The Land is to be laid off and surveyed by Colonel *William Cabell*, at the Expense of the Purchaser. Deeds will be made upon Bond and approved Security being given, either to Colonel *William Cabell*, or the Subscriber. Six per Cent. Discount will be allowed for ready Money, or good Merchants Notes. If any Person will choose to exchange Lands in the lower Part of the Country, on or near some navigable River, that are good, it is more than probable we should agree.

(tf) CARTER BRAXTON.

To be SOLD, SEPARATELY *or* TOGETHER,

TWO TRACTS of LAND. One lies in *Albemarle* County, on *Hardware* River, about five Miles from the great River, containing 370 Acres, 100 of which are the best Kind of low Grounds, and situated so as always to have the best Range for Stock of any Land between the Capes and Little Mountains.

The other Tract lies in *Goochland* County, on *Lickinghole* Creek, near the *Three Notched* Road, and contains 700 Acres. The high Land is equal to any in these Parts, fine for Tobacco and Wheat, or any Kind of Grain or Meadow. About 200 Acres are cleared, now under good Fences, laid off in three Fields, and in fine Order to work about ten Hands to great Advantage. The Improvements are a good Dwelling-house, Kitchen, Smokehouse, a Dairy, four good Tobacco Houses, with Negro Quarters, and other convenient Buildings, also a fine Apple and Peach Orchard. The Place is pleasantly situated, has fine Water, is as healthy as any Part of the Colony, and is convenient to Church or *Providence* Meetinghouse, and several Mills, besides one on the Land turned by a Spring Branch to grind for three or four Families the whole Year, and is not in the least unhealthy, as the Water may be ground off every Day. Credit will be given for Part of both Tracts. Any Person inclinable to purchase may know the Terms by applying to Mr. *William Mitchell*, Merchant in *Richmond*, or to the Subscriber, who will show the Land.

(tf) WILLIAM PRYOR.

GOOCHLAND, *November* 1773. 3.

To be RENTED *for a Life, or Term of Years, as may be agreed upon, or the Interest of my* LEASE *to be* SOLD,

HOG ISLAND FERRY and ORDINARY, to which there is a fine Plantation, in excellent Order. For the Crop of Wheat now growing thereon I will oblige myself to allow to a Purchaser one Hundred Pounds; but if I lease the Place, I shall reserve the Crop to myself. As much Money as I have received in twenty Days by the Ferry and Ordinary will satisfy me for the annual Rent of the Whole.

(tf) H. U. ST. GEORGE.

TO BE SOLD,

FIVE Hundred and fifty Acres of LAND in the County of *Charles City*, with a convenient Dwellinghouse and other Improvements. Two Hundred and twenty Acres, in the same County, pleasantly situated on *James* River.

Two Thousand five Hundred and twenty Acres in the County of *Cumberland*, commonly known by the Name of *Saint James*'s.

And one Thousand four Hundred and twenty one Acres in the Counties of *Goochland* and *Cumberland*, on both Sides of *James* River, opposite to *Elk* Island.

The above TRACTS of LAND were of the Estate of the late *John Wayles*, deceased, devised to the Subscribers, and are now offered for Sale. Persons disposed to purchase may be informed of the Terms, on Application to any one of the Subscribers; and the Times of Payment will be made easy, on giving Bond and Security to

THOMAS JEFFERSON.
FRANCIS EPPES.
HENRY SKIPWITH.

(tf)

YORK Town, *June* 9, 1773.

THE Subscribers being very solicitous to comply with the Will of their Testator, the late Honourable *William Nelson*, desire that all Persons who were indebted to him will endeavour to make as speedy Payments as possible. Those who have Accounts open on his Books, and who cannot immediately discharge the Balances, are desired to give their Bonds. This Request is the more necessary, as most of the Legacies bequeathed by the Testator are to be paid in Sterling Money, and he has directed that his younger Sons Fortunes shall be placed out at Interest upon undoubted Securities, so soon as it can be done. Those who have any Demands are desired to make them immediately known.

THOMAS NELSON.
THOMAS NELSON, Junior.
HUGH NELSON.
RO. C. NICHOLAS.

(tf)

TO BE SOLD,

ABOUT fourteen Thousand Acres of exceeding good LAND in the County of *Pittsylvania*. For Terms apply to Mr. *Hugh Rose* of *Amherst*, who will treat with any Person inclinable to purchase, and be empowered to make a legal Title.

(tf) THOMAS LOMAX.

CAROLINE, *May* 1, 1773.

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